

## Inspection Report

WILDLIFE REHABILITATION OF HERNANDO INC

Customer ID: 322341

Certificate: 58-C-0967

Site: 001

WILDLIFE REHABILITATION OF HERNANDO INC

360 SUNCOAST BLVD

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

SPRING HILL, FL 34608

Date: Sep-27-2010

### 2.40

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries,

The program of veterinary care does not indicate if the fox will receive heartworm prevention or vaccinations. The parasite control program section is completed as N/A. This section shall either list the frequency of the procedures indicated, or indicate that they are not required.

It is unknown when the fennec fox arrived at this facility and whether it has been addressed on the Program of Veterinary Care.

Heartworm disease in canids is prevalent in this area of the country and canids are frequently put heartworm prevention medication to protect them from this disease. This shall be addressed on the program of veterinary care.

Correct by November 7, 2010

### 2.75

#### REPEAT

#### RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.

Every dealer other than operators of auction sales and brokers to whom animals are consigned, and exhibitor shall make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose the following information concerning animals other than dogs and cats, purchased or otherwise acquired, owned, held, leased, or otherwise in his or her possession or under his or her control, or which is transported, sold, euthanized, or otherwise disposed of by that dealer or exhibitor. The records shall include any offspring born of any animal while in his or her possession or under his or her control.

- (i) The name and address of the person from whom the animals were purchased or otherwise acquired;
- (ii) The USDA license or registration number of the person if he or she is licensed or registered under the Act;
- (iii) The vehicle license number and State, and the driver's license number (or photographic identification card for nondrivers issued by a State) and State of the person, if he or she is not licensed or registered under the Act;

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- (iv) The name and address of the person to whom an animal was sold or given;
- (v) The date of purchase, acquisition, sale, or disposal of the animal(s);
- (vi) The species of the animal(s); and
- (vii) The number of animals in the shipment.

There are no acquisition records for the following animals: 2 kinkajous, 1 ruffed lemur (which subsequently died), 2 spider monkeys, 2 gennets (additional gennet did not have the sellers drivers license # and vehicle tag number), 2 cougars, 1 fennec fox, 2 snow macaques, 1 bengal cat, 1 ringtail cat, 1 wallaby, & 1 muntjac.

All acquisition and disposition records must contain all of the above information.

### 3.78 (d)

#### OUTDOOR HOUSING FACILITIES.

On and after February 15, 1994, an outdoor housing facility must be enclosed by a fence that is of sufficient height to keep unwanted species out. Fences less than 6 feet high must be approved by the Administrator. The fence must be constructed so that it protects nonhuman primates by restricting unauthorized humans, and animals the size of dogs, skunks, and raccoons from going through it or under it and having contact with the nonhuman primates. It must be of sufficient distance from the outside wall or fence of the primary enclosure to prevent physical contact between animals inside the enclosure and outside the perimeter fence.

There is not a 6 foot perimeter fence completely around the snow macaque enclosure. Two sides of this enclosure are adjacent to a horse pasture which appears to have only a 4 foot barbed wire fence.

A 6 foot perimeter fence shall be around all sides of this enclosure which restricts unauthorized humans, and animals the size of dogs, skunks, and raccoons from going through it or under it and having contact with the non human primates.

Correct by November 1, 2010

### 3.125 (a)

#### REPEAT

#### FACILITIES, GENERAL.

The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

The white tiger, one siberian tiger, and the cougar enclosures appear to have a strand of hot wire around these enclosures which have a 12 foot vertical fence. Upon closer observation, these wires appear not to be connected to any power source (electrical, solar, or other). These wires were also tested by touching the wires with a metal pole. No sparking or sound was heard, and it appears that these hot wires are not "hot" and do not function to help to contain these cats if they should climb or jump on the fence.

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Two additional siberian tiger enclosures, and the juvenile lion cage are constructed with open top 12 foot vertical fencing without hot wire, kick in or other means to securely contain the cats.

As presently constructed, these enclosures still are not sufficiently constructed to contain these animals.

These cats are good at climbing and or jumping and shall not be housed within enclosures that do not have modifications sufficient to prevent them from climbing or jumping over the 12 foot fence.

**3.129 (a) REPEAT**

### **FEEDING.**

The food shall be wholesome, palatable, and free from contamination and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain all animals in good health. The diet shall be prepared with consideration for the age, species, condition, size, and type of the animal.

The licensee does not have written feeding plan for the big cats. This feeding plan was requested on the last inspection. The licensee does not feed a commercial diet and feeds a variety of meats.

A written feeding plan shall be developed and approved by your attending veterinarian. This plan shall include the types and quantities of food being offered as well as any types and amounts of vitamins &/or supplements given.

**3.132 REPEAT**

### **EMPLOYEES.**

A sufficient number of adequately trained employees shall be utilized to maintain the professionally acceptable level of husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Such practices shall be under a supervisor who has a background in animal care.

The licensee was not present during the inspection. The responsible persons on the premises were Daniele & Jessica who were left to take care of, and provide for, the cleaning of all the animal enclosures. Neither of these individuals possess a FL Fish & Game permit for Class 1 animals (which would demonstrate a sufficient amount of experience to care for these cats) and may not have a sufficient amount of experience to care for the big cats. The Raleigh Regional office has not apporoved of the handling qualifications of any of the caretakers, nor the licensee himself.

The licensee was notified during the last inspection to submit all of the handler qualifications to the Raleigh Regional Office. This documentation has not been received.

There shall be a sufficient number of trained employees to care for the animals at all times. All handlers experiences & qualifications shall be submitted to the Regional Office for review and approval

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**Notes:**

1-The lion enclosure that was in disrepair and cited on the last inspection report was not on the premises and therefore could not be inspected for compliance. The injuries that appeared on the lion's head are now healed.

2-There does not appear to be any changes in the process of loading and unloading the cats from the primary enclosures to the transport enclosures. The licensee was not on the premises during the inspection, and the contact persons could not provide any additional information to determine if this procedure is now compliant. This procedure will be reviewed for compliance during the next inspection

3-The use of hot wire as a means of containment of the big cats is approved on a case by case basis, and must be reviewed by the Raleigh Regional Office

An exit interview was conducted with the authorized contact persons.

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**2.126 (b)**

**ACCESS AND INSPECTION OF RECORDS AND PROPERTY.**

Section 2.126(b) - Access and inspection of records and property: A responsible adult shall be made available to accompany APHIS officials during the inspection process.

A responsible adult was not available to accompany inspection at 14:15 on 06/29/2010. This is the first attempted inspection.

The licensee was contacted by phone after the inspector found no one present at the facility. The licensee was unable to return to the facility to allow an inspection to be conducted within 30 minutes and was informed that an attempted inspection report would be generated. A responsible person must be available to conduct animal welfare inspections.

To be corrected immediately

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Date: May-13-2010

**2.40 (b) (2)****ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).**

(b) Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include:

(2) The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries, and the availability of emergency, weekend, and holiday care;

\*\*\*A male lion was transported to the facility at the time of the inspection and was observed being unloaded from a transport enclosure into a primary enclosure. The transport enclosure, when opened to release the lion, revealed a piece of torn sheet metal on the floor. Once the lion was released from the transport enclosure, the inside of the transport enclosure was examined and found to have a basket ball sized section of torn and damaged sheet metal with sharp edges along one side of the enclosure. The lion had sustained injuries during transport as indicated by a raw area on its head and evidence of blood dripping from the left side of its mouth. Although the injuries did not appear serious, this animal must be examined by the attending veterinarian and appropriate care provided for the injuries to ensure the health and well being of the animal.

To be corrected by May 15, 2010

**2.75 (b) (1)****RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.**

(b)(1) Every dealer other than operators of auction sales and brokers to whom animals are consigned, and exhibitor shall make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose the information required under Section (b)(1) concerning animals other than dogs and cats, purchased or otherwise acquired, owned, held, leased, or otherwise in his or her possession or under his or her control, or which is transported, sold, euthanized, or otherwise disposed of by that dealer or exhibitor.

\*\*\*A shipment of 2 African lions arrived at the facility during the inspection without any accompanying paperwork. The licensee said the transporter had the records at another facility but did not bring them with the shipped animals. At least one copy of the records required under Section (b)(1) must accompany any animal shipments and be available for inspection once the animals were in the licensee's possession

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and under his control.

To be corrected by May 20, 2010 and for all future transactions.

### 2.131

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#### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

(b)(1) Handling of all animals shall be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

\*\*\* During the inspection, 2 lions were observed being unloaded from transport enclosures into their new primary enclosure. The manner with which the licensee chose to unload the animals was potentially dangerous for the licensee and the people assisting or viewing the unloading as well as the animal. The licensee released the lions from their transport enclosures while the licensee was still in an area accessible to the lions. The licensee had no prior experience with these 2 lions and couldn't be sure how they would react. There was no squeeze chute or lock out mechanism to prevent the lions from going over or around the transport enclosure since it was not secured to the primary enclosure. Although the transport enclosures were placed within a lock out area, the outside gate was secured with a single latch to allow easy escape for the licensee should the lions decide to go over or around the transport enclosure and try to attack the licensee. Because the licensee was within the lockout area, the outside gate could not be sufficiently secured and the lion could potentially escape if it hit the gate. There was a TV crew filming the unloading and they were positioned immediately outside the insufficiently secured outside gate. It should be noted that the licensee had difficulty initially getting the male lion out of its transport enclosure. This may have been because of the injuries it had sustained during transport. This animal was agitated and a posed a greater risk to itself and those around it. The manner that these lions were unloaded was not done as carefully and expeditiously as possible and could have resulted in the escape of the animal or physical harm to the licensee, the public or the animal. To minimize potential harm and discomfort to the animals or harm to the licensee, employees or public, dangerous animals must always be handled in a manner that ensures the safety of the animals and personnel present.

To be corrected immediately and from this day forward.

\*Anyone handling dangerous animals must demonstrate their knowledge and qualifications to safely handle dangerous animals. Documentation of handler qualifications must be submitted to the regional office. The qualifications should demonstrate the handler's abilities to safely handle the animals, to have knowledge of currently acceptable professional standards and techniques in animal training and handling. For big cats, the demonstration of adequate knowledge includes submission of a written feeding plan approved by the attending veterinarian.

### 3.125 (a)

#### FACILITIES, GENERAL.

(a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

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\*\*\* There is an exercise yard currently containing 1 unsupervised young cougar. The exercise yard has fencing that is 12 feet tall without a top, hot wire or any other means to keep the contained cat from climbing out. Although the primary enclosure used as the night quarters for the cougars has a wire top, the exercise yard does not. Cougars are skilled climbers which can not be securely contained within an enclosure designed solely with vertical 12 foot fencing. The exercise yard must be modified, changed or made secure so that cougars housed within the yard are securely contained to protect them and the public from injury.

To be corrected by May 15, 2010

\*\*\*\*There is a enclosure containing 2 adult tigers within 12 foot vertical fencing without a hot wire, kick in or other means to securely contain the cats. Tigers are good jumpers, can readily climb and should not be housed within enclosures that do not have a hot wire or kick in or other modification sufficient to prevent them from climbing over the 12 foot fencing. The fencing also has wooden poles on the inside corners of enclosure which could aid the tigers in scaling the fencing. The fencing must be modified, changed or made secure so as to securely contain the tigers and to protect them and the public from injury.

To be corrected by June 1, 2010

\*\*\*The enclosure housing the newly acquired lions is designed using 12 foot vertical fencing without a kick in or hot wire. Although lions are not as good at climbing as tigers and cougars, the fencing has wooden poles on the inside corners which could aid the lions in scaling the 12 foot fencing. The fencing must be modified, changed or made secure so as to securely contain the lions and to protect them and the public from injury.

To be corrected by June 1, 2010

\*\*\*\*There is a juvenile lion undergoing veterinary care which is housed within a temporary enclosure that has fencing that is only 6 feet tall. Although this is a temporary housing, the enclosure is not designed to securely contain a big cat. The juvenile lion should be moved to an appropriate enclosure or the enclosure modified or changed so as ensure it can be securely contained within the enclosure.

To be corrected by June 1, 2010

An exit briefing was conducted with the licensee.

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No non-compliant items were identified on this inspection. This focused inspection and exit interview were conducted with the animal caretaker.

End of report.

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No non-compliant items were identified during this inspection. The program of veterinary care and environment enrichment program were reviewed. Record keeping requirements were discussed with the applicant. The applicant is ready to be licensed as a Class "C" Exhibitor and will mail the license fee of \$175 to the Regional Office. NO REGULATED ACTIVITIES MAY BE CONDUCTED UNTIL AN USDA LICENSE IS ISSUED. Inspection and exit interview were conducted with the owner.

End of report.

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**2.75 (b) (1) REPEAT****RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.**

Inspection of this exhibitor took place while traveling. The location was at the Hampton classic in Brighampton NY

Item Records dealers and exhibitors 2.75 b 1 Repeat

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At the time of inspection the 7020 was reviewed it indicated 2 kanagroos, 2 zebas, 1 giraffe , 1 addox 1 antelope 1 kudo this is a total of 8 animals that were transferred on Aug 23, 2010.

The number of animals received indicates 6 which is different than the total numbers of animals.

Licensee needs to insure numbers match and are accurate.

**3.131 (c)****SANITATION.**

Item Housekeeping 3.131 c

Premises shall be clean and in good repair to facilitate good husbandry practices

At the time of inspection it was noticed that wood shavings used for bedding were stored directly on the floor and there was an open bag of trash .

Bedding and garbage must be adequately stored to insure good housekeeping.

Licensee placed bedding on pallets and provided a garbage bin for the open bag of garbage

Corrected at time of inspection.

An exit briefing was conducted at the end of the inspection

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